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RE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE DATED 2/25/92.

REFERENCED COMMUNICATION ADVISED OF THE PLANNED TRAVEL TO

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MILWAUKEE ON 3/2/92 OF CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC) MEMBER

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REFERENCED COMMUNICATION REQUESTED MILWAUKEE TO DETERMINE THROUGH LOGICAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER SOURCES IF [redacted] DOES ARRIVE IN THE MILWAUKEE AREA AND BECOMES INVOLVED IN SKINHEAD ACTIVITIES.

ON 2/27/92, CONTACT WAS MADE WITH [redacted] OF THE MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE DIVISION (MPD CID). [redacted] WAS INFORMED ONLY THAT [redacted] IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN MILWAUKEE IN EARLY MARCH. [redacted] ADVISED THAT HE IS AWARE THAT [redacted] IS A COTC MEMBER ORIGINALLY FROM [redacted] AND THAT [redacted] WAS RECENTLY [redacted] OF THE "RACIAL LOYALTY" NEWSPAPER.

[redacted] ADVISED THAT THE MPD CID IS AWARE OF A LOOSELY ORGANIZED COTC PRESENCE IN MILWAUKEE OF ABOUT 25 MEMBERS. THESE MEMBERS ARE MOSTLY MALE, 14-25 YEARS OLD. THEIR ACTIVITIES CONSIST MAINLY OF DISTRIBUTING COPIES OF "RACIAL LOYALTY". THERE APPEARS TO BE NO ORGANIZED LEADERSHIP OF THIS GROUP, WHOSE MEMBERS MAY BE IDENTIFIED BY THE WEARING OF BLACK COMBAT BOOTS WITH RED LACES.

[redacted] ADVISED THAT HE WILL KEEP THE MILWAUKEE FBI

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OFFICE APPRISED OF ANY INFORMATION REGARDING [redacted] b7C

MILWAUKEE WILL MAINTAIN LIAISON WITH MPD CID IN AN EFFORT TO VERIFY THOMAS' ARRIVAL IN MILWAUKEE AND IDENTIFY HIS ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS.

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PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INITIATED 2/18/92, TO EXPIRE 5/17/92.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE DATED 3/3/92, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

REFERENCED COMMUNICATION INSTRUCTED MILWAUKEE TO CONTACT

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MILWAUKEE [redacted] AND ADVISE HIM THAT NON-SPECIFIC THREATS HAVE BEEN MADE AGAINST HIM.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS, NUMEROUS ATTEMPTS

[redacted]

TO LOCATE AND CONTACT [redacted] WERE MADE ON 3/3/92 AND 3/4/92 BY AGENTS OF THE MILWAUKEE DIVISION, WITH NO SUCCESS. MESSAGES WERE LEFT AT [redacted] OFFICE AND WITH HIS ATTORNEY REQUESTING [redacted] TO CONTACT THE MILWAUKEE FBI OFFICE. ON 3/4/92, A WOMAN IDENTIFYING HERSELF AS [redacted] TELEPHONED THE MILWAUKEE FBI OFFICE AND ASKED WHY AGENTS WERE TRYING TO CONTACT [redacted] THE WOMAN WAS INFORMED THAT THE FBI WAS TRYING TO CONTACT [redacted] TO ADVISE [redacted] OF THREATS MADE AGAINST HIM. THE WOMAN STATED THAT [redacted] WOULD CONTACT THE MILWAUKEE FBI OFFICE.

ON 3/4/92, THE MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE DIVISION (MPD CID) ADVISED THAT [redacted] REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN "HOLED UP" FOR SEVERAL DAYS AND HIS OWN PEOPLE CAN NOT FIND HIM. ACCORDING TO POLICE, [redacted] BEHAVIOR APPARENTLY HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH EITHER THREATS AGAINST HIM BY WHITE SUPREMACISTS OR THE FBI'S ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT HIM, BUT IS POSSIBLY INDICATIVE OF A PERSONAL PROBLEM.

MPD CID FURTHER ADVISED OF SOURCE INFORMATION THAT [redacted] WAS STILL IN OTTO, NORTH CAROLINA, AS OF LAST WEEK (FEB 23-29) AND WAS PRACTICING WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS WITH SOME SKINHEADS THERE. MPD CID'S SOURCE INDICATED THAT IF [redacted]

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DOES TRAVEL TO MILWAUKEE, HE WILL PROBABLY BRING A BODYGUARD WITH HIM.

INVESTIGATION IN MILWAUKEE HAS DETERMINED THAT CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC) POST OFFICE BOXES IN THE MILWAUKEE AREA AS LISTED IN "RACIAL LOYALTY" WERE OPENED IN THE FOLLOWING NAMES:

P.O. BOX 531, STURTEVANT, WI: [redacted] b7C

CHURCH OF THE CREATOR, 2837 91ST ST, STURTEVANT, WI, TELEPHONE (414) 886-1493.

P.O. BOX 1052, KENOSHA, WI: [redacted] WITH THE FOLLOWING NAMED ORGANIZATIONS: WHITE BERETS, CHURCH OF THE CREATOR, UNITED WHITE YOUTH, NORTHERN HAMMER SKINS (NHS).

P.O. BOX 14543, MILWAUKEE, WI, 53214: [redacted] 2403 WEST BURNHAM, MILWAUKEE, WITH THE FOLLOWING NAMED ORGANIZATIONS: WHITE STUDENT UNION, AMERICAN NAZI PARTY, WISCONSIN PROBATION UNIT. b7C

P.O. BOX 44304, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, 53214: [redacted] 2403 WEST BURNHAM, WITH THE FOLLOWING NAMED ORGANIZATIONS: W.A.R., S.H.A.M., N.H.S., C.O.T.C.

SPOT CHECKS OF THE ABOVE ADDRESSES REVEALED THAT THE BUILDING WHICH HAD BEEN LOCATED AT 2403 WEST BURNHAM HAS BEEN DEMOLISHED. THE RESIDENCES AT [redacted] ARE WELL-KEPT SINGLE FAMILY HOMES WHOSE APPEARANCES SUGGEST THEY MAY BELONG TO THE YOUNG MEN'S PARENTS.

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A CHECK OF MILWAUKEE INDICES REVEALS THAT [redacted] WERE FORMERLY MEMBERS OF THE SKINHEAD ARMY OF MILWAUKEE (SHAM).

MILWAUKEE WILL CONTINUE EFFORTS TO DETERMINE WHETHER [redacted] HAS ARRIVED IN MILWAUKEE AND TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE MEMBERS OF THE COTC IN THE MILWAUKEE AREA.

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LOS ANGELES AREA SKINHEADS: DS/T; OO: LOS ANGELES (100A-87550) (P).

PRELIMINARY INQUIRY AUTHORIZED 2/13/92 RE CHURCH OF THE CREATOR; TO EXPIRE 5/17/92. FULL INVESTIGATION AUTHORIZED 9/20/89 RE LOS ANGELES AREA SKINHEADS; EXTENDED AND EXPIRES

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RE MILWAUKEE TELCALLS TO THE BUREAU, CHARLOTTE AND LOS ANGELES ON 3/2/92.

REFERENCED TELCALLS DISCUSSED THE FEASIBILITY AND NECESSITY OF LOS ANGELES COOPERATING WITNESS [redacted] IN HOPE OF MEETING CHARLOTTE SUBJECT [redacted] AND IDENTIFYING HIM AND POSSIBLE MILWAUKEE CHURCH OF CREATOR (COTC) AND SKINHEAD MEMBER ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ALLEGED TERRORIST/HATE CRIME ACTIONS.

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PER REFERENCE TELCALLS, LOS ANGELES, WITH CONCURRENCE OF MILWAUKEE, IS OF THE OPINION IT IS PREMATURE TO TASK LA'S CW TO TRAVEL TO MILWAUKEE IN ANTICIPATION OF [redacted] AND OTHER COTC/SKINHEAD MEMBERS. NONE OF THE THREE FIELD OFFICES KNOW THE CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF [redacted] OR IF AND WHEN HE ACTUALLY INTENDS TO VISIT MILWAUKEE. TO DATE, THE CW HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT SUCCESSFUL IN MONITORING [redacted] ACTIVITIES THROUGH EITHER PERSONAL OR ASSOCIATE TELEPHONIC CONTACT. IF DEEMED APPROPRIATE, CONSIDERATION WILL BE REVISITED AS EVENTS WARRANT.

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PRELIMINARY INQUIRY ON COTC AUTHORIZED FEBRUARY 13, 1992,

TO EXPIRE MAY 17, 1992.

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REFERENCE TELEPHONE CALLS TO SSA [redacted] EXT. [redacted] DOMESTIC TERRORISM UNIT, CTS, CID, AND SA [redacted] MILWAUKEE DIVISION, ON FEBRUARY 24, 1992. b7C

THE CHARLOTTE DIVISION IS CONDUCTING A PRELIMINARY INQUIRY ON THE COTC IN ORDER TO CORROBORATE LOS ANGELES COOPERATING WITNESSES (CW'S) INFORMATION FROM LOS ANGELES AREA SKINHEADS THAT THE COTC IS CONDUCTING TRAINING WHICH INCLUDES WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES TRAINING AND THAT THIS TRAINING IS FOR A "RACIAL HOLY WAR." THESE LOS ANGELES SKINHEADS ALSO REPORT TO THE TWO CW'S THAT THE COTC UTILIZES TEENAGE MALES AND FEMALES AND PROVIDES THEM WITH WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES TRAINING. ALLEGEDLY, THESE TEENAGERS ARE ALSO UTILIZED TO INFILTRATE MILITARY INSTALLATIONS TO OBTAIN MILITARY INFORMATION (CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED) AND ALSO ATTEMPT TO STEAL MILITARY SUPPLIES, WEAPONS, AND EQUIPMENT. BY STEALING WEAPONS AND SUPPLIES, THESE TEENAGERS HOPE TO CREATE A STOCKPILE FOR THE UPCOMING "HOLY WAR" AS WELL AS OBTAIN LOGISTICAL INFORMATION FOR FUTURE ATTACKS ON THE BASES.

THE FILES OF THE CHARLOTTE OFFICE OF THE FBI REVEAL THAT BERNARD (BEN) KLASSEN, WHITE MALE, DATE OF BIRTH FEBRUARY 20, 1918, POST OFFICE BOX 400, OTTO, NORTH CAROLINA, IS A RETIRED

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER WHO CAME TO NORTH CAROLINA IN 1982 FROM FLORIDA AND BEGAN BUILDING HIS COTC FOR THE NATIONAL DISSEMINATION OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, AND BROCHURES WHICH ADVOCATE WHITE SUPREMACY.

KLASSEN IS THE PRESIDENT O THE COTC WHICH IS HIS "CREATIVITY CENTER." THIS COMPLEX CONSISTS OF ONE TWO-STORY CHURCH BUILDING, A RANCH STYLE HOUSE BEHIND THE CHURCH WHERE KLASSEN RESIDES, AND ANOTHER SMALL BUILDING IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH. THE COMPLEX COVERS APPROXIMATELY 25 ACRES AND A BOARDED FENCE RESTRICTS VIEW OF THE STRUCTURES.

"RACIAL LOYALTY" IS A MONTHLY NEWSPAPER EDITED BY AND DIRECTED BY KLASSEN AND MEMBERS OF THE COTC. THIS NEWSPAPER STATES IT IS DEDICATED TO THE SURVIVAL, EXPANSION, AND ADVANCEMENT OF THE WHITE RACE. PRIOR INVESTIGATION DETERMINED THAT APPROXIMATELY 25,000 COPIES OF THIS NEWSPAPER ARE MAILED MONTHLY.

THE COTC PURPORTS TO BE A RACIAL RELIGION, BUT IT EXPRESSLY EXCLUDES A SUPREME BEING. THIS CHURCH ALSO BORROWS LIBERALLY FROM THE NAZI NATIONAL SOCIALISM PHILOSOPHY BUT INCLUDES ALL WHITE NATIONALITIES. THE OFFICIAL COTC POSITION

ADVOCATES NO UNLAWFUL ACTS, BUT RATHER PREPARATION FOR A RACIAL HOLY WAR.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF ALL OFFICES, LOS ANGELES' CW'S WERE DEBRIEFED ON FEBRUARY 23, 1992, AT CHARLOTTE. BOTH CW'S, TOGETHER AND SEPARATELY, HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH COTC MEMBER [redacted] ADVISED THAT TRAINING FOR SKINHEADS WOULD BEGIN IN THE SUMMER AND THAT THE MAJORITY OF SKINHEADS WOULD BE COMING FROM WISCONSIN AND MICHIGAN. [redacted] DURING THESE CONVERSATIONS, [redacted] DID NOT MENTION [redacted] HOWEVER, HE DID [redacted] DISPLAYED [redacted] NUMEROUS PHOTOGRAPHS OF SKINHEADS AT THE COTC COMPOUND AND IT WAS NOTED THAT SEVERAL SKINHEADS WERE HOLDING WHAT APPEARED TO [redacted] ADVISED THAT HE WAS TRAVELING TO MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, ON OR ABOUT MARCH 2, 1992, BY GREYHOUND BUS AND THAT HIS OBJECTIVE WAS TO MEET SKINHEADS AND RECRUIT THEM FOR TRAINING AT THE COTC COMPOUND IN NORTH CAROLINA, AND THEN EVENTUALLY SIGN THEM UP

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AS COTC MEMBERS. [redacted] ADVISED THAT HE HAD ALREADY MET SEVERAL MILWAUKEE AREA SKINHEADS AND THEREFORE HAD ESTABLISHED SOME CONTACTS IN MILWAUKEE. [redacted] MENTIONED THAT HE ALSO PLANS TO TRAVEL TO RACINE AND KENOSHA, WISCONSIN.

[redacted] ADVISED THAT [redacted] OUT OF THE PRESENCE OF THE SECOND LOS ANGELES CW AND ASKED, IN WORDS TO THE EFFECT, "WHEN I GET TO MILWAUKEE AND NEED ANY HELP [redacted] ANSWERED THAT HE WOULD BE GLAD TO [redacted] IF HIS BOSS, [redacted]

A REVIEW OF THE MARCH 1992 ISSUE OF COTC PUBLICATION "RACIAL LOYALTY" REVEALS AN ARTICLE WHICH WAS ALLEGEDLY REPUBLISHED FROM THE "MILWAUKEE SENTINEL" DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1992. IN THIS ARTICLE, AMONG OTHER STATEMENTS, COTC PRESIDENT KLASSEN ADVISES THAT THERE ARE DOZENS OF CREATORS, AS THE COTC MEMBERS ARE CALLED, IN MILWAUKEE AND THEY ARE DOING A GOOD JOB. THIS ARTICLE ALSO STATES THAT THERE IS A 24 HOUR WHITE SURVIVOR HOTLINE IN OPERATION WITH A RECORDED MESSAGE [redacted] THE MESSAGE CALLS [redacted] A TERRORIST. REFERRING TO [redacted]

THREAT TO RESORT TO VIOLENCE IF CONDITIONS FOR THE CITY'S BLACKS DO NOT IMPROVE, THIS RECORDED MESSAGE ALSO STATES THAT, "WE CREATORS WILL BE THERE TO FIGHT AGAINST HIM."

THE FOLLOWING IS A DESCRIPTION [redacted] b7C

NAME - [redacted] SEX - MALE; RACE - WHITE; WEIGHT - [redacted] HEIGHT - [redacted] EYES - [redacted] HAIR - [redacted] DATE OF BIRTH - [redacted] SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER - [redacted]

INVESTIGATION BY CHARLOTTE HAS DETERMINED THAT [redacted] PREVIOUSLY RESIDED IN [redacted] AND IS A CLOSE FRIEND OF [redacted] CDTC MEMBER [redacted] WHO IS PENDING [redacted] A BLACK U. S. NAVY SAILOR IN MAY 1991.

THE CHARLOTTE DIVISION IS CURRENTLY OBTAINING A SUITABLE PHOTOGRAPH [redacted] AND THIS WILL BE IMMEDIATELY FORWARDED TO MILWAUKEE AND LOS ANGELES.

MILWAUKEE DIVISION, AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN: IS REQUESTED, THROUGH LOGICAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER SOURCES, AT

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TEXT CONTINUES:

TO DETERMINE IF [redacted] DOES ARRIVE IN THE MILWAUKEE AREA

AND BECOMES INVOLVED IN SKINHEAD ACTIVITIES.

LOS ANGELES DIVISION, AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: IS REQUESTED TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED LOS ANGELES CW'S AND ADVISE CHARLOTTE AND MILWAUKEE OF ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted] ACTIVITIES. b7C

CHARLOTTE DIVISION: WILL CONTINUE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION OF CDTC IN ORDER TO SUBSTANTIATE ITS INVOLVEMENT IN CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES.

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PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INITIATED 2/19/92, TO EXPIRE 5/17/92.

RE LA TELETYPE, DATED 3/13/92, CAPTIONED "LOS ANGELES AREA SKINHEADS; DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM; OO: LOS ANGELES" (NO COPY TO CHARLOTTE).

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REFERENCED TELETYPE IS SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:

ON 3/12/92, [redacted] CONTACTED [redacted] MILWAUKEE. [redacted] ON THE TELEPHONE FOR ABOUT AN HOUR. [redacted] OF ATTEMPTS [redacted] WITH [redacted] THE WHITE ARYAN RESISTANCE (WAR), AND [redacted] THE WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN IN OKLAHOMA CITY. [redacted] STATED THAT HE HAD SPOKEN TO AN ASSOCIATE [redacted] FOR PURPOSES OF COMBINING ORGANIZATIONS. [redacted] TO ATTEND AN ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ON 3/22/92 CONCERNING THE ATTENDANCE OF VARIOUS COTC CHAPTER MEMBERS FROM MILWAUKEE, CANADA, AND MICHIGAN. [redacted] INDICATED ANOTHER MEETING WOULD TAKE PLACE DURING THE WEEKEND OF 3/28/92, WHEREIN [redacted] SECURITY FORCE (WHITE RANGERS AND/OR WHITE BERETS) WOULD PROVIDE A DEMONSTRATION. THE CANADIAN, WISCONSIN, AND MICHIGAN CHAPTERS WERE ALSO INVITED TO ATTEND THIS SECOND MEETING FOR PURPOSES OF UNIFICATION. [redacted] TO ATTEND THE 4/18/92 CELEBRATION OF ADOLF HITLER'S BIRTHDAY. [redacted] FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING WHETHER HE COULD ATTEND ANY OF THE MEETINGS.

ON 3/12/92, [redacted] ALSO TELEPHONED [redacted] IN

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MILWAUKEE. [redacted] OF HIS DESIRE TO GET TOGETHER [redacted] SOON. [redacted] INDICATED HE HAD BIG PLANS FOR THE NEXT TWO TO SIX WEEKS BUT DID NOT WANT TO DISCUSS THEM IN DETAIL OVER THE TELEPHONE. ACCORDING TO [redacted] THIS COUNTRY HAD TO BE TAKEN BACK AND THE ONLY METHOD OF ACCOMPLISHING THIS GOAL WAS TO UTILIZE FORCE WITH GUNS. [redacted] CONTINUED THAT A GREAT DEAL OF TALENT EXISTED HERE AND CONSIDERED HIMSELF A [redacted] DI [redacted] (DRILL INSTRUCTOR [redacted]

[redacted] STATED THAT THERE WERE YOUNG PEOPLE IN THEIR LATE TEENS AND EARLY 20'S WHO WOULD BE ABLE TO BE MOLDED INTO EXCELLENT FIGHTING FORCES BY HIMSELF [redacted] STATED THAT [redacted] CURRENT SKILL OF TEACHING BOXING, MARTIAL ARTS, AND WEAPONS, HE [redacted] COULD PUT TOGETHER AN EXCELLENT FIGHTING FORCE. AT ONE POINT IN THE CONVERSATION, [redacted]

[redacted] MENTIONED HAVING SPOKEN TO [redacted] AND STATED THAT HE WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING BOTH OF THEM SOON. HE CONCLUDED THE CONVERSATION [redacted] TO CALL

HIM AT THE SAME NUMBER AND SAID HE COULD BE REACHED AT THIS NUMBER ALMOST EVERY NIGHT AFTER 7:00 P.M.

END OF SUMMARY.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT ALTHOUGH [redacted] PLACE OF RESIDENCE IN MILWAUKEE HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY MEANS OF THE CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER PROVIDED [redacted] TO THE LOS ANGELES [redacted] MILWAUKEE HAS SO FAR BEEN LARGELY UNSUCCESSFUL IN TRACKING [redacted] MOVEMENTS OR IDENTIFYING HIS ACTIVITIES. MILWAUKEE ALSO NOTES THAT A PROBABLE RESULT OF THE POLICE RAID ON MILWAUKEE COTC HEADQUARTERS WILL BE THAT [redacted] OTHER COTC MEMBERS WILL AVOID THAT LOCATION FOR SOME TIME. AT PRESENT, MILWAUKEE'S BEST MEANS OF KEEPING TRACK [redacted] THROUGH HIS CONTACT WITH [redacted]

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OO: CHARLOTTE.

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PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INITIATED 2/18/92, TO EXPIRE 5/17/92.

RE TELCALL OF SA [redacted] LOS ANGELES DIVISION, AND SA [redacted] MILWAUKEE DIVISION, 3/11/92.

IN REFERENCED TELCALL SA [redacted] ADVISED THAT MILWAUKEE

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HAS SO FAR BEEN UNABLE TO VERIFY THE ARRIVAL [redacted] b7C
IN MILWAUKEE, AND REQUESTED LA'S ASSISTANCE IN DETERMINING HIS WHEREABOUTS. SA [redacted] ADVISED THAT THE LA COOPERATING WITNESS MAY BE ABLE TO LOCATE [redacted] THROUGH A CONTACT IN NORTH CAROLINA.

ON 3/11/92, THE MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE DIVISION (MPD CID) ADVISED THAT THEY HAVE DETERMINED THAT THE HEADQUARTERS FOR THE CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC) IN MILWAUKEE IS LOCATED ON THE FOURTH FLOOR OF A WAREHOUSE BUILDING LOCATED AT 1223 SOUTH 23RD STREET, MILWAUKEE. MPD CID ADVISED THAT COTC REPORTEDLY USES THE LOCATION FOR LARGE SUNDAY MEETINGS AS WELL AS FOR "BIBLE" MEETINGS ON WEDNESDAYS. LOOKOUTS EQUIPPED WITH WALKIE-TALKIES ARE REPORTEDLY POSTED IN THE WINDOWS AS WELL AS ON THE STREET IN VEHICLES. ACCORDING TO MPD CID, THE WAREHOUSE SPACE WAS RENTED [redacted] W/M, DOB [redacted] FORMER b7C
SKINHEAD ARMY OF MILWAUKEE (SHAM) MEMBER, OR [redacted] [redacted] W/M, DOB [redacted] AS HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY NOTED, [redacted] COTC P.O. BOX 53214, MILWAUKEE, AND [redacted] HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE OF B'NAI B'RITH AS BEING FORMER SHAM [redacted] ARE

NOW AFFILIATED WITH COTC.

ON 3/9/92, TWO COTC-AFFILIATED INDIVIDUALS WERE ARRESTED BY THE MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT IN CONNECTION WITH A SPREE OF RACIAL INCIDENTS ON MILWAUKEE'S SOUTH SIDE ON THE MORNING OF 3/8/92. THE INCIDENTS DID NOT RESULT IN ANY INJURIES. THE ARRESTED INDIVIDUALS WERE IDENTIFIED AS [redacted] W/M, DOB [redacted] AND [redacted] W/M, DOB [redacted] SAME ADDRESS. AT THE TIME OF HIS ARREST [redacted] AND HAS THE WORD "SKINHEAD" TATTOOED [redacted] ALSO HAS SEVERAL TATTOOS AND WAS WEARING A [redacted]

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ACCORDING TO POLICE, [redacted] ALONG WITH TWO OTHER WHITE MALES, [redacted]

[redacted] WAS REPORTEDLY [redacted]

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NEITHER THE MILWAUKEE DIVISION NOR MPD CID HAS SEEN ANY EVIDENCE OF [redacted] INVOLVEMENT IN THE EVENTS OF 3/8/92; RATHER, THE NATURE OF THE INCIDENTS WOULD SEEM TO DEMONSTRATE A PROFOUND LACK OF MATURE DIRECTION.

CHARLOTTE AND LOS ANGELES ARE REQUESTED TO KEEP MILWAUKEE INFORMED OF ANY INFORMATION REGARDING [redacted] WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITIES.

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OO: CHARLOTTE.

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PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INITIATED 2/18/92, TO EXPIRE 5/17/92.

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE DATED 3/13/92, AND AIRTEL DATED 3/19/92, WITH ENCLOSED FD-302, BOTH CAPTIONED "LOS ANGELES

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AREA SKINHEADS; DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM; OO: LOS ANGELES."

REFERENCED COMMUNICATIONS ADVISED OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY [redacted] REGARDING CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC) MEMBER [redacted]

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FOR THE INFORMATION OF RECIPIENTS, MILWAUKEE CONTINUES LIAISON WITH MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THIS MATTER. MILWAUKEE HAS SO FAR SEEN NO EVIDENCE THAT [redacted] WEAPONS TRAINING, PURCHASING OR STOCKPILING AMMUNITION OR PURCHASING EXPLOSIVES. MEETINGS, ACCORDING TO MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT SOURCE, HAVE NOT BEEN THAT WELL ATTENDED. DUE TO THE LIMITED SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION PERMITTED BY THE PRELIMINARY INQUIRY, [redacted] AND RELIES ON INFORMATION PROVIDED [redacted] TO MONITOR [redacted] MOVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES.

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SHOULD [redacted] OF THE LOS ANGELES COOPERATING WITNESSES TRAVEL TO WARREN, MICHIGAN, FOR THE MARCH 28 COTC MEETING DESCRIBED IN REFERENCED COMMUNICATIONS, MILWAUKEE WOULD APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEBRIEF CW IN MILWAUKEE AFTERWARDS. THIS WOULD ALSO OFFER THE CW A CHANCE TO OBSERVE

FIRSTHAND THE COTC OPERATION IN MILWAUKEE AND PROVIDE MILWAUKEE WITH THESE OBSERVATIONS.

OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHARLOTTE IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE AUXILIARY OFFICES OF ITS CURRENT INVESTIGATIVE STRATEGY CONCERNING THIS INVESTIGATION.

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SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES AREA SKINHEADS; DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM (DS/T); OO: LOS ANGELES; CHURCH OF THE

[redacted]

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CREATOR (COTC); DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM (DS/T); OO: CHARLOTTE.

LOS ANGELES AREA SKINHEADS FULL DS/T INVESTIGATION WAS AUTHORIZED ON AUGUST 20, 1989, AND EXTENDED TO AUGUST 3, 1992. PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INVESTIGATION ON COTC AUTHORIZED FEBRUARY 18, 1992, TO EXPIRE ON MAY 17, 1992.

REFERENCE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, ET AL; DATED FEBRUARY 15, 1992, ENTITLED "LOS ANGELES AREA SKINHEADS; DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM (DS/T); OO: LOS ANGELES"; AND TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN SSA [redacted] CHARLOTTE DIVISION AND SSA [redacted] DOMESTIC TERRORISM UNIT, TERRORISM SECTION, CID, FBIHQ, ON FEBRUARY 18, 1992.

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ACTING SAC, CHARLOTTE DIVISION CONCURS WITH TRAVEL OF SA [redacted] AND TWO LOS ANGELES COOPERATING WITNESSES (CW'S) TO CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA. IN ADDITION, ACTING SAC, CHARLOTTE APPROVES MEETING OF TWO LOS ANGELES CW'S WITH MEMBERS OF THE COTC IN OTTO, NORTH CAROLINA.

THE CHARLOTTE DIVISION IS INITIATING A PRELIMINARY INQUIRY ON THE COTC IN ORDER TO CORROBORATE LOS ANGELES CW INFORMATION FROM LOS ANGELES AREA SKINHEADS THAT THE COTC IS CONDUCTING TRAINING WHICH INCLUDES WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES

TRAINING AND THAT THIS TRAINING IS FOR A "RACIAL HOLY WAR." THESE LOS ANGELES SKINHEADS ALSO REPORT TO THE TWO CW'S THAT THE COTC UTILIZES TEENAGE MALES AND FEMALES AND PROVIDES THEM WITH WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES TRAINING. ALLEGEDLY, THESE TEENAGERS ARE ALSO UTILIZED TO INFILTRATE MILIARY INSTALLATIONS TO OBTAIN MILITARY INFORMATION (CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED) AND ALSO ATTEMPT TO STEAL MILITARY SUPPLIES, WEAPONS, AND EQUIPMENT. BY STEALING WEAPONS AND SUPPLIES, THESE TEENAGERS HOPE TO CREATE A STOCKPILE FOR THE UPCOMING "HOLY WAR" AS WELL AS OBTAIN LOGISTICAL INFORMATION FOR FUTURE ATTACKS ON THE BASES.

THE FILES OF THE CHARLOTTE OFFICE OF THE FBI REVEAL THAT BERNARD (BEN) KLASSEN, WHITE MALE, DATE OF BIRTH FEBRUARY 20, 1918, POST OFFICE BOX 400, OTTO, NORTH CAROLINA, IS A RETIRED REAL ESTATE DEVELOPER WHO CAME TO NORTH CAROLINA IN 1982 FROM FLORIDA AND BEGAN BUILDING HIS COTC FOR THE NATIONAL DISSEMINATION OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, AND BROCHURES WHICH ADVOCATE WHITE SUPREMACY.

KLASSEN IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE COTC WHICH IS HIS "CREATIVITY CENTER." THIS COMPLEX CONSISTS OF ONE TWO-STORY

CHURCH BUILDING, A RANCH STYLE HOUSE BEHIND THE CHURCH WHERE KLASSEN RESIDES, AND ANOTHER SMALL BUILDING IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH. THE COMPLEX COVERS APPROXIMATELY 26 ACRES AND A BOARDED FENCE RESTRICTS VIEW OF THE STRUCTURES.

"RACIAL LOYALTY" IS A MONTHLY NEWSPAPER EDITED BY AND DIRECTED BY KLASSEN AND MEMBERS OF THE COTC. THIS NEWSPAPER STATES IT IS DEDICATED TO THE SURVIVAL, EXPANSION, AND ADVANCEMENT OF THE WHITE RACE. PRIOR INVESTIGATION DETERMINED THAT APPROXIMATELY 3,600 COPIES OF THIS NEWSPAPER ARE MAILED MONTHLY.

THE COTC AND ITS PRESIDENT, BEN KLASSEN, WERE THE SUBJECTS OF A FBI INVESTIGATION DURING THE PERIOD JUNE 29, 1989 THROUGH JUNE 14, 1990, AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT MEMBERSHIP IN THE COTC IS LESS THAN FIFTEEN (15) IN NUMBER; HOWEVER, IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THIS CHURCH DISSEMINATES INFORMATION THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES AND OVERSEAS. TO DATE, THE FBI HAS INFORMATION THAT MEMBERS AND CHURCHES ARE IN ENGLAND, SOUTH AFRICA, SWEDEN, AND CANADA.

THE COTC PURPORTS TO BE A RACIAL RELIGION, BUT IT EXPRESSLY EXCLUDES A SUPREME BEING. THIS CHURCH ALSO BORROWS LIBERALLY FROM THE NAZI NATIONAL SOCIALISM PHILOSOPHY BUT

INCLUDES ALL WHITE NATIONALITIES. THE OFFICIAL COTC POSITION ADVOCATES NO UNLAWFUL ACTS, BUT RATHER PREPARATION FOR A RACIAL HOLY WAR.

LOS ANGELES DIVISION, AT ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA: WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH CW'S AND THE CHARLOTTE DIVISION REGARDING INVESTIGATION OF COTC.

CHARLOTTE DIVISION AT CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA: WILL BRIEF CW'S ON FEBRUARY 20, 1992, REGARDING THEIR TRIP TO COTC AND DEBRIEF CW'S ON FEBRUARY 23, 1992. WILL CONDUCT INVESTIGATION OF COTC ACTIVITIES SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

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Date 4/10/92

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE

SUBJECT : WHITE BERETS:
DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM;
OO:MILWAUKEE (100A-MW-27290) (P)

CHURCH OF THE CREATOR;
DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM;
OO: CHARLOTTE (100A-CE-66174) (P)

Preliminary inquiry of CHURCH OF THE CREATOR initiated 2/18/92, to expire 5/17/92. PI of WHITE BERETS initiated 4/10/92, to expire 7/8/92.

Enclosed for Los Angeles is the original and ~~three~~ two copies of an FD 302 of [redacted] and duplicate audio tapes from consensual telephonic and non-telephonic recordings made by the source during his stay in Milwaukee. Enclosed for the Bureau, Charlotte, and Detroit are two copies of an FD 302 of [redacted]

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For the information of the Bureau and recipients, [redacted] visited CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC) member [redacted] in Milwaukee from [redacted] 1992.

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Based on information provided by the source and reported in enclosed FD 302, Milwaukee has opened a preliminary inquiry of the WHITE BERETS, a paramilitary arm of the COTC, whose members, under the [redacted] are conducting martial arts and firearms training, are currently procuring additional firearms and explosives manuals, and are attempting to acquire automatic weapons and explosives materials, all in furtherance of the white supremacist goals of [redacted] and the COTC. b7C

[redacted] prepared to kill women and children in furtherance of his "mission", [redacted] take orders from COTC Headquarters in North Carolina only as long as they do not conflict [redacted]

The following individuals identified by [redacted] in the enclosed FD 302 have been further identified as follows:

[redacted] (LNU):

[redacted] (LNU):

[redacted] is a former member of the SKINHEAD ARMY OF MILWAUKEE and is the subscriber to a COTC post office box in Milwaukee.

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It is noted that surveillance in Milwaukee has identified [redacted] place of employment [redacted] company. As a result of information provided by [redacted] that [redacted] to acquire chemicals from [redacted] employment for the purpose of manufacturing explosives, Milwaukee anticipates contacting an officer of [redacted] in an attempt to assess the availability of such chemicals.

For the information of the Bureau and recipients, on Monday, April 6, 1992, a group of about 15 individuals representing the COTC staged a peaceful demonstration a block from South Milwaukee High School, South Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This high school, which is located in a predominantly white suburb, has been the site of recent racial problems. A COTC representative telephoned the Milwaukee Journal newspaper in advance to announce the demonstration. South Milwaukee Police Department officers were present at the demonstration and took photographs which show a group of people, some wearing black uniforms and some in camouflage fatigues and civilian attire, marching on a sidewalk carrying Confederate flags and COTC flags. The following individuals were identified from license plates taken by police at the demonstration:

[redacted] (identified above)
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Milwaukee will provide recipients with any further pertinent information obtained from consensual recordings provided by [redacted] Milwaukee will maintain the FD-472 and FD-473 consent forms executed by the CW.

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SUBJECT: CHURCH OF THE CREATOR; DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM;

OO: CHARLOTTE.

PRELIMINARY INQUIRY INITIATED 2/18/92, TO EXPIRE 5/17/92.

RE TELCALLS OF SA [redacted] LOS ANGELES DIVISION, AND SA [redacted] MILWAUKEE DIVISION ON 3/12/92 AND 3/17/92.

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IN REFERENCED 3/12/92 TELCALL, SA [redacted] ADVISED THAT [redacted] HAD PROVIDED A CONTACT NUMBER OF [redacted] IN MILWAUKEE, AND THAT THE LA COOPERATING WITNESS HAD SPOKEN [redacted] AT THAT NUMBER [redacted]

THE SUBSCRIBER TO [redacted] HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS [redacted] SHE IS BELIEVED TO BE A RELATIVE OF COTC MEMBER [redacted]

ON 3/15/92, [redacted] WAS OBSERVED BY SA [redacted] ENTERING THE RESIDENCE AT [redacted] WAS WEARING BLACK TROUSERS, A BLACK NYLON JACKET, AND A BLACK BASEBALL CAP. [redacted] WAS ON FOOT AND APPEARED TO BE RETURNING FROM AN ERRAND.

ON 3/17/92, LA ADVISED THAT [redacted] STATED THAT THE MILWAUKEE COTC HEADQUARTERS WAS "HIT" BY POLICE WITH A SEARCH WARRANT, PROBABLY ON FRIDAY, MARCH 13. ACCORDING TO [redacted] NO COTC MEMBERS WERE PRESENT AT THE TIME OF THE POLICE ENTRY, AND THE POLICE DID NOT FIND ANYTHING. THIS INFORMATION WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CONFIRMED BY [redacted] OF THE MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT (MPD) CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, WHO ADVISED THAT MPD DETECTIVES ENTERED THE COTC HEADQUARTERS AT

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1223 SOUTH 23RD STREET IN RESPONSE TO A COMPLAINT CALL THAT A WOMAN WAS HEARD CRYING AND PLEADING. DETECTIVES FAILED TO LOCATE A CRYING WOMAN BUT DID NOTE THAT THE ROOM WAS SET UP AS A MEETING AREA, COMPLETE WITH COTC PROPAGANDA AND A SHRINE TO SLAIN MEMBER BRIAN KOZEL. IT IS NOTED THAT MPD HAD PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED THE MILWAUKEE DIVISION WITH THE ADDRESS OF THE COTC HEADQUARTERS WITHOUT MENTIONING THE FACT THAT A POLICE ENTRY HAD ALREADY BEEN MADE. MILWAUKEE DIVISION WILL TAKE THIS INCIDENT INTO ACCOUNT IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO DISSEMINATE INFORMATION TO MPD IN THE FUTURE.

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FD-621 (Rev. 4-12-89) (Nontelephonic Consensual Monitoring Usage Report)

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

From: SAC MILWAUKEE Date: 5/5/92

To: DIRECTOR, FBI
Attn: **ELSUR Index**

Subject: CHURCH OF THE CREATOR;
DOMESTIC SECURITY TERRORISM;
OO: CHARLOTTE

X Emergency Authority. Re Milwaukee FD-759 to FBIHQ dated 3/31/92 captioned as above.

____ Routine Authority. Re _____ to FBIHQ dated _____ and Bu _____ to _____ dated _____ captioned as above.

NOTE: If no confirming communication received from FBIHQ in response to your request for routine use of a nontelephonic consensual monitoring device, mark below:

X No confirming communication received from FBIHQ to date.

The following information relates to the use of the equipment:

X Its use provided information which corroborated or assisted in corroborating the allegation or suspicion.

____ It was used, but no information of value was obtained.

____ It was not used.

(Only one of the above applies)

Complete and submit within 30 days of expiration of each and every period of authorization granted for nontelephonic consensual monitoring by either the SAC, DOJ or FBIHQ-CID (whether an initial or a subsequent authorization), and for each extension or renewal thereof.

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Date 6/11/92

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (100A-CE-66174) (P)

SUBJECT : CHURCH OF THE CREATOR
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[redacted] an extremely reliable source who furnishes information on a continuing basis, advised on 5/6/92, that asset has been following statements written by BEN KLASSEN, known as the Pontifex Maximus (leader) of the CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC) and located in Otto, North Carolina, of making strong statements concerning Judge SHERMAN FINESILVER, U. S. District Judge, Denver, Colorado, in the COTC newspaper Racial Loyalty. KLASSEN, in asset's opinion, has been writing in such a way that asset feels Judge FINESILVER may be in danger. KLASSEN noted in his articles that FINESILVER was the judge who sentenced [redacted] who had been the heir apparent to take over leadership of COTC from KLASSEN. Remarks are that the judge was part of the Jewish occupational government which persecuted [redacted] It is noted that according to asset, [redacted] will not take over COTC as KLASSEN has designated another individual to do that.

The asset is not a member of this organization, however, has closely followed this organization and its activities for the past year. Asset has no further details or facts concerning any possible danger to Judge FINESILVER other than an opinion based on KLASSEN's writings that someone affiliated with the COTC may attempt to get even with Judge FINESILVER for sentencing [redacted] to prison.

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Date 7/28/92

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (100A-CE-66174) (C)

SUBJECT : CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC);
DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM
OO: CHARLOTTE

Preliminary Inquiry (PI) initiated 2/18/92, expired 5/17/92.

Reference Charlotte airtel to Director 6/11/92 and Milwaukee teletype to Charlotte 7/22/92.

No investigation conducted after expiration date of 5/17/92. This communication delayed due to assignment of Case Agent to more priority matters.

Enclosed for the Bureau, Milwaukee, and Los Angeles are two (2) copies each of an LHM.

The cooperating witnesses utilized in the enclosed LHM have provided reliable information in the past and are identified as follows:

Cooperating Witness [redacted]

Cooperating Witness [redacted]

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On 6/26/92, the Ashville Citizen Times reported that the CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC) had moved from Western North Carolina to Milwaukee and that the COTC's new leader is the Reverend BRANDON O'ROURKE of Milwaukee.

Charlotte PI referenced captioned matter is closed in view of the lack of criminal activity which is required by the Attorney General Guidelines for Domestic Security/Terrorism investigations.

U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Charlotte, North Carolina

July 28, 1992

CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC)
DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM (DS/T)

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On February 18, 1992, the Charlotte Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) initiated a preliminary inquiry on the COTC in order to corroborate Los Angeles FBI Cooperating witnesses [redacted] information received from Los Angeles area Skinheads, that the COTC is conducting training which includes weapons and explosives training. This COTC training is for a "Racial Holy War" (RAHOWA).

In a booklet entitled The Little White Book authored by BEN KLASSEN, RAHOWA is identified as the one word in which we sum up the total goal and program of not only the COTC, but of the total white race and it is this: We take up the challenge and we gird for total war against the Jews and the rest of the god damned mud races of the world--politically, militantly, financially, morally, and religiously. We regard RAHOWA as a holy war to the finish, a racial holy war. It is the ultimate and only solution.

The COTC is a white supremacist organization based in Otto, North Carolina, that espouses a violent anti-semitic and anti-black philosophy. The COTC purports to be a racial religion, but it expressly excludes a supreme being. This church also borrows liberally from the Nazi National Socialism philosophy but includes all white nationalities. The official COTC position advocates no unlawful acts, but rather preparation for a racial holy war.

The files of the Charlotte office of the FBI reveal that BERNARD (BEN) KLASSEN, white male, date of birth February 20, 1918, Post Office Box 400, Otto, North Carolina, is a retired real estate developer who came to North Carolina in 1982 from Florida and began building his COTC for the national dissemination of books, pamphlets, and brochures which advocate white supremacy.

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KLASSEN is the President of the COTC which is his "Creativity Center." This complex consists of a one two-story church building, a ranch style house behind the church where KLASSEN resides, and another small building in front of the church. The complex covers approximately 26 acres and a boarded fence restricts view of the structures.

Racial Loyalty is a monthly newspaper edited by and directed by KLASSEN and members of the COTC. This newspaper states it is dedicated to the survival, expansion, and advancement of the white race. Prior investigation determined that approximately 25,000 copies of the newspaper are mailed monthly.

On March 11, 1992, the Milwaukee Police Department Criminal Intelligence Division (MPD CID) advised that they have determined that the headquarters for the COTC in Milwaukee is located on the fourth floor of a warehouse building located at 1223 South 23rd Street, Milwaukee. MPF CID advised that COTC reportedly uses the location for large Sunday meetings as well as for "Bible" meetings on Wednesdays. Lookouts equipped with walkie-talkies are reportedly posted in the windows as well as on the street in vehicles. According to MPD CID, the warehouse space was rented [redacted] white male, date of birth [redacted] former Skinhead Army of Milwaukee (SHAM) member, or [redacted] white male, date of birth [redacted] as has been previously noted, is [redacted] COTC, Post office Box 53214, Milwaukee, and [redacted] have been identified by the anti-defamation League of B'Nai B'Rith as being former SHAM [redacted] are now affiliated with COTC.

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On March 8, 1992, two COTC-affiliated individuals were arrested by the Milwaukee Police Department for disorderly conduct in connection with a spree of racial incidents on Milwaukee's south side on the morning of March 8, 1992. The incidents did not result in any injuries. The arrested individuals were identified as [redacted] white male, date of birth [redacted] and [redacted] white male, date of birth [redacted] same address. At the time of his arrest [redacted] and has the word "Skinhead" tattooed [redacted] also has several tattoos and was wearing a [redacted]

According to police, [redacted] along with two other white males, drove around in a car shouting racial remarks and threatening several people with a club or pipe. The only property damage inflicted by the group was a smashed rearview mirror. The group also entered a convenience store and threw a copy of Racial Loyalty down on the counter, made White Power comments, knocked some merchandise off the shelves, and left. The driver of the car, who was not arrested, was reportedly [redacted]

[redacted] contacted [redacted] in Milwaukee. [redacted] spoke with the CW on the telephone for about an hour. [redacted] CW of attempts to join forces [redacted] the WHITE ARYAN RESISTANCE (WAR), and [redacted] the WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN in Oklahoma City. [redacted] stated that he had spoken to an associate [redacted] for purposes of combining organizations. [redacted] CW to attend an organizational meeting [redacted] concerning the attendance of various COTC chapter

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members from Milwaukee, Canada, and Michigan. [redacted] also indicated another meeting would take place [redacted] wherein [redacted]

[redacted] stated that there were young people in their late teens and early 20's who would be able to be molded into excellent fighting forces [redacted] stated that with CW's knowledge [redacted] current skill [redacted] put together an excellent fighting force. At one point in the conversation, [redacted]

[redacted] mentioned having spoken [redacted] he was looking forward to seeing both of them soon. He concluded the conversation [redacted] at the same number and said he could be reached at this number almost every night after 7:00 p.m.

[redacted] Milwaukee advised liaison with Milwaukee Police Department in this matter. Milwaukee has so far seen no evidence that [redacted] weapons training, purchasing or stockpiling ammunition, or purchasing explosives. Meetings, according to Milwaukee Police Department source, have not been that well attended.

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Charlotte investigation has determined that [redacted] previously [redacted] and is a close friend of [redacted] black U. S. Navy sailor in May, 1991. [redacted] the COTC headquarters in North Carolina for an unknown period in 1991 - 1992 [redacted] Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on or about [redacted]

[redacted] is described by observation and interview:

Name:	[redacted]
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Place of Birth:	
Height:	
Weight:	
Eyes:	
Hair:	
Social Security Account Number:	
Marital Status:	
Last Known Address:	

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[redacted] the Los Angeles riots in general. [redacted] the police scanner each night, monitoring the disturbances (vandalism and fires) in Los Angeles.

Subsequent to their brief discussion, and after checking with his gun contact, [redacted] departed the restaurant in his vehicle [redacted]

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Subsequent to the weapons

again, discussed the Los Angeles riot situation during the past week. expressed his

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dismay that many people within the White Movement had missed the opportunity presented by the riots. [redacted] he expected something to happen with the White Movement this summer, and that left only two or three months left to prepare for it. [redacted] there were too many "mouths" in the White Movement nowadays.

[redacted] to conduct a [redacted] with someone he had known for only a short time. However, he felt very comfortable [redacted]

It is noted that previous to his meeting [redacted] had informed [redacted] had committed certain acts during the Los Angeles riots, and wanted to discuss them [redacted]

[redacted] previously informed [redacted] for the Los Angeles area Skinheads.

On June 26, 1992, the Asheville Citizen Times reported that the COTC had moved from Western North Carolina to Milwaukee and that the COTC's new leader is the Reverend BRANDON O'ROURKE of Milwaukee.

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- ☐ Immediate
- ☐ Priority
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- ☐ TOP SECRET
- ☐ SECRET
- ☐ CONFIDENTIAL
- ☐ UNCLAS E F T O
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Date 6/22/92

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, DENVER (100A-CE-66174Q) (RUC)

SUBJECT : CHURCH OF THE CREATOR;
DS/T;
OO: CHARLOTTE

Re Charlotte airtel to the Bureau and Denver, dated 6/11/92, as captioned.

For information of the Bureau and Charlotte, Chief Judge SHERMAN FINESILVER, U. S. District Judge, District of Colorado, Denver, Colorado, was advised of a potential threat to his safety on the part of BEN CLASSEN, leader of captioned group, on 6/18/92 by Denver SSA [redacted]

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SSA [redacted] also discussed on same date, this potential threat with Chief Deputy United States Marshal [redacted]

In a notification to [redacted] DENVER POLICE DEPARTMENT (DPD), same date, it was learned that this captioned group has a representative in [redacted] In addition, [redacted] advised that [redacted] mentioned in referenced airtel as the possible local point for this threat, is currently residing [redacted] stated that Deputy U. S. Marshal [redacted] Denver, is monitoring [redacted] activities and

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collecting intelligence concerning [redacted] and captioned group through [redacted] supra, and investigators [redacted] This fact was confirmed by Chief Deputy [redacted] in his conversation with SSA [redacted]

Denver JOINT TERRORISM TASK FORCE (DJTT) Coordinator, SA [redacted] on 6/18/92, contacted two sources knowledgeable of captioned group. Both are of known, proven reliability and advised as follows:

[redacted] advised that the CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COC) has a few followers in the Colorado/Wyoming area [redacted] holds a leadership position in the group and is a close associate of KLASSEN. KLASSEN's main contacts are Pastor [redacted] presently [redacted] This group does not appear to be active or organized.

[redacted] advised that unidentified members of the COC have been in contact with [redacted] of the FUHRERS ESCORT BRIGADE (100A-DN-44134) and other Denver area "Skinhead" groups surveying them for recruitment. Those recruiting in the area were supposedly from "out of town" but no further information was available. The source advised that this is not unusual due to the high visibility Denver has had due to various, highly publicized rallies recently held on MARTIN LUTHER KING day and ADOLPH HITLER's birthday.

Denver will maintain contact with sources and Deputy U. S. Marshal [redacted] as his office has primary responsibility for the protection of Judge FINESILVER and is monitoring this situation.

Charlotte is requested to immediately advise Denver if [redacted] provides further information relevant to this matter.

In the meantime, Denver considers this matter RUC.

INFORMATION COMMUNICATION

Date: 05/21/93

TO: CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
DOMESTIC TERRORISM UNIT
ATTN: SSA [redacted]

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LOS ANGELES

FROM: MILWAUKEE
(SQ. 6)

POINT OF CONTACT: SSA [redacted]

TITLE: INFORMATION CONCERNING
CHURCH OF THE CREATOR;
DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM;

References: Charlotte airtel to the Bureau, dated 7/28/92, concerning file number 100A-CE-66174.

Enclosures: Enclosed for Charlotte are the original and two copies of the following:

1. An insert detailing the Milwaukee membership of the Church of the Creator.

2. An insert, dated 2/22/93, detailing phone calls made by [redacted] between 1/26/93 and 1/28/93.

Enclosed for Jacksonville are two copies of the following:

1. United States District Court Bond Appearance and Complaint in the case of United States of America vs. RICK MC CARTY.

2. A copy of the March, 1993 edition of "Racial Loyalty".

3. An insert detailing the Milwaukee membership of the Church of the Creator.

4. An insert, dated 2/22/93, detailing phone calls made by [redacted] between 1/26/93 and 1/28/93.

PURPOSE(S): For information of receiving offices.

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DETAILS: For information of Jacksonville, the Church of the Creator (COTC) is a white supremist organization which was founded by BEN KLASSEN of Otto, North Carolina. In May of 1992, KLASSEN [redacted] of Milwaukee, Wisconsin [redacted] b7C [redacted] of the COTC. [redacted] the headquarters from Otto to Milwaukee.

[redacted] The Milwaukee Division is currently investigating [redacted] for threatening statements he has made concerning the [redacted] (174B-MW-28180). [redacted] who has been arrested by the Chicago Division (174A-CG-86988) in connection with [redacted] to the Milwaukee based COTC.

The COTC has also purchased approximately ten acres of land in western Wisconsin, which serves as a meeting and training ground for COTC members. Over the Labor Day weekend of 1992, the White Berets, a security arm of the COTC, had a graduation ceremony for induction of several members into the COTC White Berets at this training facility. The COTC also rented building space in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where it had regular meetings on Sunday.

On 1/26/93, Brookfield Police Department (a suburb of Milwaukee) arrested three COTC members for carrying concealed weapons at the EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL in Brookfield, Wisconsin. During the arrest, the officers were approached [redacted] from Niceville, Florida, but denied answering any questions concerning why he was with the leader of the COTC, [redacted] The Brookfield Police Department checked the records, which indicated that [redacted] had been reserved by the COTC. The Brookfield Police also requested phone records from the room, which are enclosed.

The Milwaukee Police Department, Criminal Investigative Division, who is actively investigating the COTC, stating the COTC informed the Milwaukee FBI that [redacted] had been arrested [redacted] by the FBI in connection with a [redacted] The Bond Appearance and Complaint concerning the charge [redacted] are enclosed.

The Milwaukee Police Department has said that this meeting occurred and would inform [redacted] to inform [redacted] that BEN KLASSEN had [redacted] of the COTC and that [redacted] was subsequently [redacted] a leader of the COTC. Some substantiated rumors among COTC membership indicate that the three individuals arrested at the EMBASSY SUITES may have been there to either [redacted] for attempting to [redacted] the COTC. The Milwaukee based

membership of the COTC believes that [redacted] KLASSEN into [redacted] the COTC to him. [redacted] has requested that the COTC mail be forwarded from Milwaukee to Niceville, however, [redacted] has provided the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) with documentation indicating that he is still [redacted] the COTC and the mail should remain coming to the Milwaukee P.O. Box and not be forwarded to Niceville. [redacted] has also provided paperwork to the USPS indicating that he is [redacted] the COTC. The USPS has been holding COTC mail and is attempting to make a decision as to where to deliver it. b7C

The Milwaukee Division has no active investigation into the COTC, but was made aware of this information through normal liaison with local law enforcement.

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Name:
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Middle: [redacted]
Sex: Male
Race: White
Date of birth:
Miscellaneous: [redacted]
Height:
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Hair:
Eyes:

REFERENCE

Name:
Last:
First:
Alias: [redacted]
Sex: Male
Race: White
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Name:	
Last:	KLASSEN
First:	BEN
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
DOB:	2/20/18

Memorandum

To : DIRECTOR, FBI

Date 7/30/93

From : SAC, CHARLOTTE (100A-CE-66174)

Subject: CHURCH OF THE CREATOR
DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM

The following is being furnished to the Bureau, Milwaukee and Jacksonville for your information only. This information was furnished by a Charlotte asset who is knowledgeable concerning the activities of the CHURCH OF THE CREATOR and who has furnished extremely reliable information in the past.

The Charlotte asset advised on 4/15/93, that there is a tremendous amount of networking going on between CHURCH OF THE CREATOR (COTC) members in the U.S., Canada, and Germany. There have been some changes in the U.S. organization. BEN KLASSEN, the founder of COTC, was originally going [redacted] the leadership of the organization [redacted] whom KLASSEN [redacted] in the latter part of 1992. [redacted] the organization to Milwaukee, Wisc., and was using an address of P.O.Box 340377. The asset has obtained the last issue of Racial Loyalty published in Milwaukee dated 1/93. The paper contains the typical COTC rhetoric. Asset determined there was some type of split and for some reason, KLASSEN changed his mind and decided in 1/93, to [redacted] the organization and the title [redacted] by KLASSEN to stay in his position until a [redacted] would be selected during the year 2000C.E. [redacted] has introduced [redacted] as not only taking [redacted] but also holding the [redacted] the CHURCH OF THE CREATOR on a worldwide basis. KLASSEN told the membership that [redacted] comes to them with a background [redacted] has been very successful at both. [redacted]

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[redacted] CE, advised SA [redacted] asked Church of the Creator is closed. [redacted]

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according to KLASSEN, has begun a worldwide speaking tour. The asset observed MC CARTY on the SALLY JESSE RAPHAEL TELEVISION SHOW recently. Also appearing on the same show was KIRK LYONS, a White Supremacist attorney, who alternately has resided in Texas and North Carolina; LAURIE SHAW, a student teacher who espouses White Supremacy; SCOTT SHEPARD, a White Supremacist who ran for Governor of Tennessee; Reverend MAGNA KENNEDY, a black female nd HARRY DAVIDSON, a black male, both of whom promote the separation of the races.

Asset advised that rumor has it [redacted] has been involved in illegal, con man type activities in the past and if this is true, it may be that [redacted] COTC strictly to get what money he can out of the membership. b7C

Asset advised that a few months ago, it was reported there was an attempt [redacted] while staying at a hotel in Milwaukee. There was a riff in the COTC and the people in Milwaukee did not like KLASSEN's choice. The Milwaukee COTC group was talking about either joining the White Aryan Resistance or the Heritage Front. It was reported that the Milwaukee Police Department stumbled onto a meeting of the COTC where a [redacted] was going to [redacted] Another COTC member from Canada, a [redacted] was reportedly involved with [redacted] in helping to plan to [redacted]

Asset advised that [redacted] Canada is one of the leaders of COTC in that country. He had previously written many times in the Racial Loyalty, COTC newspaper under the [redacted] He had used [redacted] in order to protect his identity in Canada.

Asset advised that [redacted] is operating from P.O. Box [redacted]

(06/01/1995)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE **Date:** 06/06/1996

To: FBIHQ
ATLANTA
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NEW YORK
SACRAMENTO **Attn:** SA [redacted]
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From: MIAMI
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Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted] mnd

Case ID #: 44-0 (Pending)
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100A-NY-185226 (Pending)
100A-SE-68108-P2 (Pending)
100A-MM-55775

Title: UNSUBS;
CHURCH OF THE CREATOR,
AUBURN, CALIFORNIA;
CIVIL RIGHTS.

Synopsis: Telephone contact with numbers in referenced communication.

Administrative: Reference Sacramento communication to FBIHQ, et al, dated 5/23/96.

Details: For information of all receiving offices, referenced communication provided two telephone numbers in which a recruitment message could be accessed when said telephone number was dialed. One of these telephone numbers was enumerated as (954) 537-3465, indicating that the number originated in the Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. area.

Telephone number (954) 537-3465 was dialed and a pre-recorded telephone message was accessed. The speaker was a white

[redacted]

female who endeavored to inform the caller regarding the dearth of opportunities for white people in present-day society. Also included in the recorded message was various derogatory references to members of the Jewish faith and racial minorities.

The white female provided three post office box addresses for the caller to send correspondence, and also offered the opportunity for the caller to leave a recorded message. The following addresses were documented by the writer:

1) CHURCH OF THE CREATOR
P.O. Box 24426
Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. 33307

2) CHURCH OF THE CREATOR
P.O. Box 3056
Binghampton, NY. 13902

3) CHURCH OF THE CREATOR
WOMEN'S CHAPTER
P.O. Box 431
Stormville, NY. 12582

Miami is aware that the telephone number (305) 537-3465 is subscribed to by a business that offers the service of these type of pre-recorded messages for advertising and marketing purposes.

No persons documented in the enclosures received by Miami with referenced communication are currently the subjects of an investigation by the Miami division.

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